

Cambridge. Nov. 30, 1867.

My dear Sir

<sup>302</sup> I am requested by the  
Executive Committee of the  
Cambridge Auxiliary Society  
of the New England Branch of  
~~the~~ the Freedmen's Union Com-  
mission, to request you to  
be present at the Annual  
Meeting of the Society, and  
to address the Meeting.

I need not say that it  
gives me great pleasure to  
express their wish to you.



and my own hope that  
you will be willing to com-  
ply with their request.

The expenses of the Society  
are now large, and it is pro-  
posed to take up a collection  
at the Meeting. It is there-  
fore desirable that such an  
appeal should be made to  
the audience as shall convince  
it of the necessity of sup-  
porting the work of the Society.  
It is hoped that Dr. Palfrey  
and perhaps Mr. Dana <sup>will</sup> ~~may~~  
be ready to assist by speaking



in promotion of the object,  
so that no very elaborate  
or lengthened effort will be  
required of any one speaker.  
The meeting is to be held in  
the second week of December,  
I can be appointed for any  
evening in that week, <sup>except Friday,</sup> on which  
it may be most convenient  
for you to be present.

Should you be able to  
comply with this request,  
I beg that you will do  
me the favor to take tea



with me at half past  
six o'clock on the evening  
of the meeting.

I shall probably preside  
at the meeting, and it would  
be a great satisfaction to  
me to have the honor of intro-  
ducing you to the Cambridge  
audience. I am, with great  
respect,

Faithfully Yours  
Charles Eliot Norton.

William Lloyd Garrison Esq<sup>r</sup>

Ch. E. Norton  
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